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## Provincial Legislature

**Salesmen's Tax Bill Will Not Apply to Any Resident Agents.**

**Amendments Made to Measure in Committee of the Whole.**

**Mr. Oliver on Land Values—Acquisition of Site For Farm For Insane.**

Thursday, Feb. 23.  
THE House assembled at 2 o'clock and after prayers were read by Rev. G. K. Adams, following was the order of the day:

**Petitions.**  
Mr. Shatford presented a petition from the Provincial Mining Association respecting a railway into the Similkameen and Nicola districts.

**Reports.**  
Mr. Ross presented four separate reports from the private bills committee. The first report was on the following bills: an act respecting the Stave River Valley Railway Co.; an act respecting the Sumas Development Co.; an act respecting the Pacific Northern and Okanagan Railway Co.; an act respecting the Brunette Saw Mill Co.; an act to incorporate the General Trust Co.

Mr. Ellison, chairman of the committee on agriculture, reported that whereas certain sections of the Noxious Weeds Bill are, in the opinion of this committee, of a drastic nature, and whereas as the Central Farmers' Institute is to meet here on the 28th of this month; therefore, this committee respectfully suggests to the Minister of Agriculture that the bill be held in abeyance and submitted to the Central Institute when it meets.

Hon. Mr. Wilson on behalf of the select committee to whom the draft County Courts Act, prepared by the commission appointed during recess, was referred for perusal, reported the bill to the House.

**Introduction of Bills.**

Mr. Gifford introduced a bill to incorporate the Stave River Valley Railway Co. The bill was referred to the railway committee. He also introduced a bill respecting the Brunette Saw Mill Co., which was referred to the private bills committee.

Mr. Oliver moved that an order of the House be granted for a return of copies of all correspondence, documents, agreements, conveyances, crown grants, or other papers in connection with the exchange of crown lands in the municipality of Burnaby for lands in the municipality of Coquitlam.

This, he explained, had reference to a transaction by which the government, as he understood, had acquired certain lands for the purpose of establishing a farm in connection with the New Westminster asylum. He claimed that there was no legal authority for such an exchange of lands, and that the bargain was disadvantageous to the province, as, according to his view, the crown lands exchanged, located between Vancouver and New Westminster, possessed peculiar value, because of the proximity of the recently built line of railway, and the electric transmission lines of the Vancouver Power Co., which gave them advantages from a transportation standpoint, and made them desirable as possible sites for manufacturing purposes. The lands acquired in exchange were located on the Coquitlam river, about seven miles northeast of New Westminster. Another disadvantage of the bargain, he contended, was that there were no taxes on the crown lands, whereas in accepting the other lands, the government assumed responsibility for taxes. As he understood the deal was put through by Mr. Rand, the real estate man, ostensibly on behalf of a gentleman whose identity he supposed need not be divulged, he thought it was a fit subject for enquiry.

Hon. Mr. Green assured the member for Delta that any suggestion that the government had anything to conceal in the matter was unfounded. The government had made all necessary investigations, and the advantages of the bargain had been satisfactorily demonstrated. In the first place there was the occasion of the transaction and this was found in the necessities of the institution for the treatment and accommodation of the insane. In the present emergency, in the light of experience in other provinces, no sufficient provision was made for the care of the insane, on a proper and economical basis. Elsewhere the employment of patients in agricultural pursuits had proved desirable not only from the standpoint of treatment, but as a measure of economy. The asylum farms were made to produce, through the labor of patients, a very appreciable portion of their means of sustenance, and a measurable contribution towards the maintenance of such institutions. The lands acquired at Coquitlam were designed for this purpose, and the government had the report of Dr. Manchester that they were peculiarly adapted for the purpose. As to the business feature of the transaction the government had sent a real estate expert to examine the ground in each case, and he reported that in the matter of values the government had the best side of the bargain. In a word, the whole question was thoroughly investigated before the deal was closed.

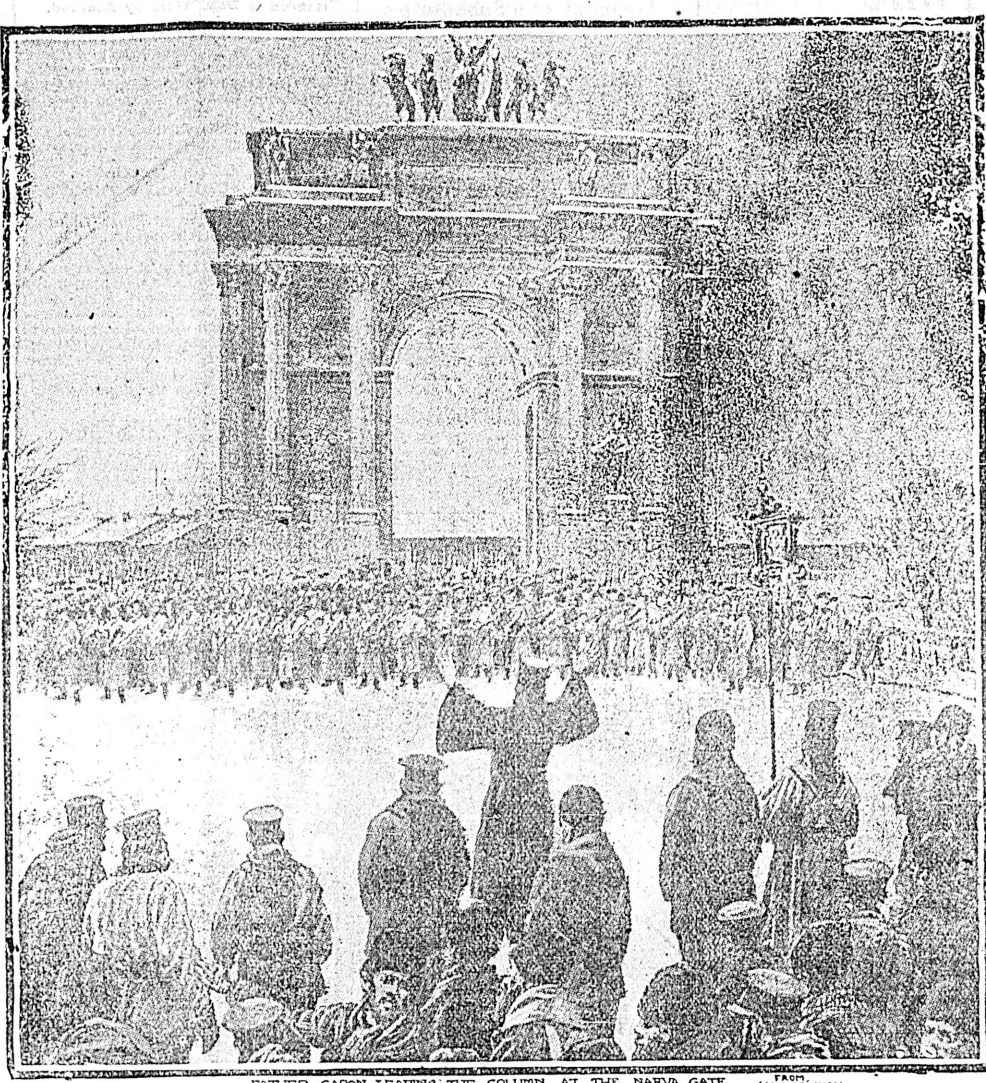
Mr. Henderson said that no charges were made by the member for Delta.

Mr. Bowser: He did not ask for a select committee. (Laughter.)

Mr. Henderson said it did not devolve upon a member for Delta to ask for a select committee until he found out whether there was any occasion for it or not. He said that Mr. Oliver was perhaps a little over zealous, but there was no reason for finding fault with him on that account. In view of the services he had rendered to the country along these lines, he contended that there was no legal authority for what had been done, and that an act in ratification thereof should be passed. He described the transaction as a hole in the corner proceeding.

Mr. McBride observed that he had no idea that this resolution would lead up to the position taken by representatives from Delta and Yale. There could be only one conclusion from the attitude of these gentlemen, and that was, that they were seeking to throw out the suggestion that in connection with this deal the government had done some underhand work, and the member for Yale disclosed his hand when he characterized the matter as a hole in the corner proceeding. He contended that the government was blameless, he thought the hon. gentleman should formulate specific charges.

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Scene of the Slaughter in St. Petersburg on January 22nd.

**ATTACK ON OUTPOST.**  
Japanese Press Russian Advance Positions and Are Repulsed.

Tsinskethen, Manchuria, Feb. 23.—The Japanese continue to press the Russian advance divisions on the left flank. On February 21, with a strength of not less than eight battalions, they attacked the outposts. The Russians made a vigorous counter attack and occupied the village of Daphnu, forcing the Japanese to temporarily abandon their advance.

**STRENUOUS BILL COLLECTOR.**  
Demands Payment of Account and Then Uses Pistol.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 23.—James Seme, a wealthy Italian contractor, was shot dead on one of the principal streets of this city today, in the sight of scores of people, by Frank Sema, a former employee. Sema was captured by several citizens who witnessed the shooting. According to the captors, Sema had demanded the payment of a small sum of money which he claimed was due him in wages, and which he was refused. Sema shot Seme in the head and then fired two more bullets into the prostrate form as it lay on the sidewalk. Seme died instantly.

**FIRE AT CAPE MAY.**  
Twenty-one Buildings Destroyed in Outbreak Yesterday.

Cape May, N. J., Feb. 23.—Twenty-one buildings in the heart of Cape May, the court house, the county seat of Cape May county, were destroyed by fire which early today broke out in Yorlson's hardware store. Swept by a high wind, the flames spread rapidly and gained such headway that assistance was asked of this city. The city fire company was hurried to the scene, and, after hard work, succeeded in getting the fire under control. The Bellevue hotel was completely destroyed, also the Gazette office and many other smaller structures. At one time it looked as if the court house was doomed, but by a shift of the wind it was saved. The estimated loss is \$75,000.

**BRITAIN'S ARMY CRITICIZED.**  
Secretary of War Defends Present State of Nation's Defence.

London, Feb. 23.—The House of Commons today and tonight debated Mr. Norton's amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the King to the calling of the attention of the House to the condition of the army, which the amendments asserts shows "negligence and mismanagement by the ministers." War Secretary Arnold Forster defended his conduct of affairs, saying that the efficiency of the army for the defence of the Empire had increased and that the total strength of the army had been increased since the Boer war by 35,000 men, while the estimates had been reduced by five millions. It was the intention of the war office, he said, to bring the army up to the needs of the country; anything less than that, he added, means waste of money.

**EIGHTY-THREE BODIES FOUND.**  
More Victims of Mine Explosion in Alabama Brought to Surface.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 23.—Eighty-three bodies of victims of Monday's explosion have been taken from the Virginia mine. Seven more are in sight, and after they are removed active rescue work will cease and the work of pumping out the water in the flooded portion of the mine will begin. It has been found impossible to recover the bodies of the men in the flooded part of the mine until the water is removed. Acting Governor Cunningham has ordered a rigid investigation into the cause of the disaster.

Later: Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 23.—Ninety-two bodies have been recovered from the Virginia mines thus far, and the rescue work is continuing tonight. Hundreds of pounds of disinfectants have been used to make further work possible. Fifty-five funerals of victims of the disaster were held in the suburbs of Birmingham today. It is estimated that there are at least twenty-five bodies to be taken out. It is expected that it will require ten days to reach the last body. Subscriptions to the relief fund now amount to over \$16,000.

## Senators Discuss Songhees Reserve

**Hon. Mr. Macdonald Urges Dominion to Relinquish All Claim to Lands.**

**Senator Templeman Says Matter Should Be of Easy Settlement.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—In the senate today Senator Macdonald called attention to the unsettled question of the removal of the Songhees Indians from the reserve and pressed for the early settlement of a matter so important in the interests of morality. By means of kindness and a little money he believed the removal could be effected. A reserve of 200 or 300 acres would suffice, and it would be necessary to provide that the Indians should be owners. He hoped the government would press the matter forward.

Senator Templeman said the government could not accede to the idea of appointing a commission of three to select a site. He admitted that the existing condition of affairs was a crying evil in Victoria. Senator Macdonald appeared to think all that was necessary was to call attention to the matter and the government would remove the Indians peacefully, possibly by force if necessary. Four great interests had to be considered: The federal government, British Columbia government, the city of Victoria and the Indians. In 1897 Mr. McKenna, of the Indian department, made two proposals for the removal of the Indians. Both were turned down by the provincial government, although they were fair and proper proposals. The provincial government wanted fifty acres of the reserve before the Indians were removed and for the Dominion to take the other half and provide a new reserve and bear the cost of removal. The reserve is valued at from \$100,000 to \$150,000. Negotiations were then closed for a time. In 1901 the Dominion government made a proposal for the removal of the Indians, in which the provincial government was to take a large amount of the reserve and provide a new one. On June 2, 1901, the Dominion government notified the provincial government of their acceptance of this proposition, and the Indians were willing to be removed. Since then nothing has been done. So far as the Dominion government was concerned they are anxious to secure the removal of the Indians and no reasonable or fair proposition would be refused. If the matter were approached in a reasonable spirit it could be settled.

Senator Macdonald did not blame the government, but urged that the Dominion should give up all claim to the reserve. The matter then dropped.

The Lancaster bill to regulate the speed of trains passing through cities, towns and incorporated villages was rejected by the railway committee today.

Hon. Clifford Sifton returned unexpectedly from Indiana tonight. He seems to be in the best of health.

**MURDER AND SUICIDE.**  
Rejected Lover Kills Successful Rival and Then Takes Own Life.

Elmira, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Edward Keating, a well known ministerial man, shot and killed James Fulford on the streets of Corning tonight and then committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. Fulford and his wife had been spending the evening out and were on their way home. Keating approached the couple, and when within a few feet of them drew a revolver and shot Fulford in the neck, the bullet severing the jugular vein. Keating started to run away, but was pursued by a policeman, who overhauled him, but before he had swallowed a fatal draught of carbolic acid. The officer took him back to the scene of his crime and he died beside his victim in a nearby store. Fulford recently married Mabel Preston, and Keating accused him of stealing his girl.

## PRESIDENT HARPER'S CONDITION.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 23.—President W. R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, passed a comfortable night at the Presbyterian hospital following yesterday's surgical operation for cancer. His condition, according to the physician, was favorable.

**CONDEMNNS STANDARD OIL.**  
Nebraska Legislature Passes Resolution Directed at Monopoly.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—The lower house of the legislature today adopted a resolution condemning the Standard Oil Company, but eliminated a clause that referred to John D. Rockefeller's gift to the University of Nebraska. The resolution endorses the position of President Roosevelt as to investigation of oil interests.

**QUIETNESS AT MUKDEN.**  
Unimportant Skirmishes Only Movements During Past Few Days.

Mukden, Feb. 23.—In addition to searchlights the Japanese are employing colored lights in signalling eastward bound troops. The Russians have detected a party of three hundred Japanese moving northward. Aside from unimportant skirmishes, no movements have been reported during the last few days.

**THE STRIKE AT LODZ.**  
Only Small Factories Now in Operation and Railroad Men Are Out.

Lodz, Feb. 23.—Only the smaller factories are working today. At the big establishments the workmen resumed the strike in consequence of the withdrawal of the concessions granted by the employers Monday. The railroad men struck today and all passenger and freight trains are stopped.

**UNCLE SAM'S NAVY.**  
Bill Providing for Over Hundred Millions Passes Senate.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The naval appropriation bill, as amended by the Senate committee today, carries \$100,336,879, an increase of \$422,520 over the house bill. The designation of the Brooklyn navy yard is changed to New York navy yard. For increasing the number of petty officers and men of the marine corps \$395,000 is added. The limit of cost of each of the collectors and scout cruisers authorized by the last naval appropriation bill is increased to \$1,450,000 and \$2,000,000 respectively; that of the sailing training vessels authorized by the act of March 3, 1902, is increased to \$410,000 each.

**INTERSTATE COMMERCE.**  
Commission Renders Decision in Case of Charges on California Fruit.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—The interstate commerce commission, in an opinion by Commissioner Clegg, today rendered its decision on the California orange case, brought by the Southern California Fruit Exchange and the Consolidated Fruit Company against the Southern Pacific and the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe railway system, in which it says defendant carriers are unlawfully engaged in pooling the traffic in citrus fruits originating in southern California and carried by them and their connections to Eastern markets, and that the defendants, by compelling the shippers to pay icing charges, the defendant carriers' rate of \$1.25 per hundred pounds on oranges in car loads carried from southern California to points on and east of the Missouri river is declared to be unreasonable and unjust, and in the opinion of the commission, it should be reduced fifteen cents per hundred pounds, but if the time of service to Eastern markets should be restored to the old basis, as indicated by eight days to Chicago and twelve days to New York, a rate as high as \$1.15 would perhaps be fair and reasonable.

The rate on lemons is held to be reasonable and present charges are held to be not unreasonable for refrigerators. The commissioner concurs in the proposed order and recommendation that the time of service in transporting these fruits to Eastern markets has been greatly lengthened.

## Whitewashing Confirmed

**International Commission on North Sea Incident Will Excuse Russians.**

**Held That Rojestvensky Was Right in Considering Himself in Danger.**

**But All Nations Relieved of Imputation as to Torpedo Boats.**

PARIS, Feb. 23.—The international commission appointed to enquire into the North Sea incident practically concluded its work tonight by finally agreeing to the report, which will be published Saturday. Concerning the general nature of the report, the following statement was made in a most authoritative quarter to the Associated Press: "When the text of the decision becomes known it will be far more acceptable to the British press and public than the report has been led to believe. The semi-official summaries appearing, while more or less accurate, tend to strongly show Russian success and the decision is not a pronounced victory for either side. It is of such a character as to satisfy the British public much ground for satisfaction. If anything, the decision is rather more favorable to Great Britain than to Russia."

**Favorable to Russia.**

On the other hand, the Havas agency tonight confirms its semi-official statement of last night. It says: "The conclusions, as a whole, are quite favorable to Russia, recognizing that Admiral Rojestvensky could legitimately consider himself in danger and act as he did. However, the report contains reservations calculated to satisfy British susceptibilities, the most important being that the commission estimates that the Russian fire lasted too long, and also that Rojestvensky should have notified the British maritime authorities of the deplorable incident."

"Upon the question of the presence of torpedo boats, the commission frees all navies from the imputation. The commission rejected a motion of Admiral Salomon (Great Britain), blaming the Russian crew."

"The conclusions are said to be in the form of questions where the commissioners state their answers either unanimously or as a majority."

**The American Opinion.**  
The American officials are strongly inclined to accept the view first stated that the decision is more favorable to Great Britain than to Russia.

The four foreign admirals gave a banquet today in honor of the presiding officer, Admiral Fournier (France). The latter will return the compliment on Saturday. President Loubet will give a luncheon in honor of the commission at the Elysee palace Sunday.

Rear Admiral Charles H. Davis (United States), and his aide, Ensign Frick, will sail for home March 4.

**GAS EXPLOSION IN MINE.**  
Madison, Ill., Feb. 23.—A report received here from Providence, Kentucky, says that as the result of a gas explosion in the Shamrock coal mines near that place three men have been fatally wounded. Their names have not been learned.

**RUSSIAN INVALIDS RETURN.**  
Transport Full of Sick Reaches Suez, En Route Home.

Suez, Feb. 23.—The Russian torpedo boat destroyer Regent arrived here today from the south coast of the transport Malaya, full of invalids. The Malaya entered the canal bound northward.

**BLIZZARD IN NEWFOUNDLAND.**  
Thirty-five Below Zero and Snow Drifts Cover Whole Country.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 23.—Another blizzard is raging here tonight. The thermometer dropped to 35 below zero last night and the whole country is under a snow drift. The eastern coast is blocked by ice flows, rendering ingress or egress from St. John's impossible. The steamer Ingraham, sent to Trinity Bay to take passengers and mails from an express train snowbound, more than a fortnight ago, has been caught in the ice.

**A GRATEFUL EMPEROR.**  
William of Germany Fittingly Acknowledges Von Buelow's Services.

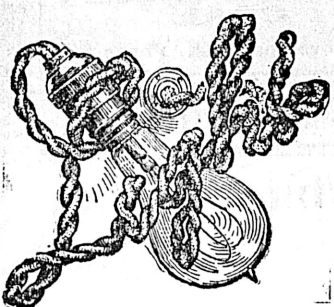
Berlin, Feb. 23.—Emperor William has sent the following autograph letter to Chancellor Von Buelow: "My dear Count Von Buelow,—After having learned through your announcement that the constitutional sanction of the Reichstag for the new commercial treaties has been given, my feelings impel me to express my warmest congratulations to you upon this momentous chapter of treaty work. I hope, through God, that the treaties will give new vigor to German economic interests, create a bond of friendly competition between the German empire and the countries friendly to us which have declared themselves willing to regulate their trade relations with us on the basis reached through a careful consideration of mutual interests. Cheerfully and joyfully I recognize the fact that it was chiefly owing to your statesmanlike art and your clear headed leadership that the negotiations have resulted in this beautiful success notwithstanding all opposing difficulties. To you is due, therefore, in the first instance, my gratitude. I express hereby with my whole heart and at the same time I beg you to kindly accept my trust in marble, which soon will be sent to you."

"Ever mindful of your faithful services, your grateful emperor and king. (Signed) Wilhelm, I. R."

"Berlin Schloss, Feb. 22, 1905."

The Emperor has also rewarded Vice Chancellor Posadowsky-Welnes for his technical work on the treaties with the Black Eagle order, Herr Von Pöhlitzsky, Prussian minister of agriculture, domains and forests, has received the grand cross of the Red Eagles, and Foreign Secretary Baron Von Richthofen has been promoted to membership in the ministry of the Prussian state without portfolio.





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## Blessing Remains Of Grand Duke

Ceremony Over Mangled Body of Sergius Held at Moscow Yesterday.

Touching Scene When Grand Duchess Takes Her Last Farewell.

Moscow, Feb. 23.—The solemn ceremony of blessing the body of the Grand Duke Sergius was performed at 10 o'clock today in the midst of the tolling of bells from all the churches and monasteries of the ancient capital. Immense crowds thronged in open squares in front of the palace, and there was considerable display of troops in the streets. Grenadiers of the Fifth regiment furnished the guard at the Chasoff monastery, which was the scene of the funeral service.

The public was concerned, nothing could be seen beyond the carriages of those invited to the funeral, who quickly filled the small available space.

### Metropolitan's Address.

Accompanied by recitative chanting by the imperial choir after the liturgy, the Metropolitan advanced from the altar and said the responsibility for the premature death of the Grand Duke falls on the whole society of Russia without distinction. The memory of Grand Duke Sergius is that of a great martyr and the services he rendered to the state will live as the blood of the Russian people. The Metropolitan's address lasted fifteen minutes, and much of it was taken up with the denunciation of the corruption of youth, minds by anarchistic persuasion.

During the service the heat and the incense-laden air became almost unbearable. Some of the Grand Ducal mourners were obliged to leave the edifice, while others drank glasses of water.

### The Mangled Remains.

The mangled body lay in state, dressed in uniform, but a veil of fine lace covered the mutilated face. A gloved hand held an icon of St. Nicholas. When the imperial party entered the church, Grand Duchess Elizabeth, the widow, took her place at the foot of the catafalque, the Grand Duke's body. Throughout the ordeal she displayed the same fortitude she showed yesterday when she followed the dead coachman to the grave. When the time came to kiss the dead, according to the custom of the Orthodox faith, the Grand Duchess Elizabeth almost broke down. Her tall slight figure swayed, and she was about to fall when the Grand Duke Constantine gave her support, and she kissed the uniform chalice.

The ceremonies attending upon the removal of the coffin, which were participated in by scores of court officials and military officers, and in which four generals, Count Ignatieff, Belesky, Osovoff and Djurofsky, took a prominent part, caused much confusion and delay.

### Farewell Prayers.

The coffin bears the simple inscription of the name of the Grand Duke and date of birth and death. The coffin is left in a later insertion of place of interment.

After the coffin was placed on the catafalque Grand Duchess Elizabeth laid on it a beautiful cross of white roses. The Metropolitan, after the funeral prayers, as all present passed by, bowing to the coffin and to the Metropolitan, who blessed them.

At Grand Duchess Elizabeth's order, St. Andrew's chapel was hung with pure white draperies and the walls were placed innumerable wreaths.

### Services Elsewhere.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 23.—A requiem mass for the repose of the soul of the Grand Duke Sergius was celebrated at Tsarskoe-Selo today in the presence of Emperor Nicholas, the imperial family and the foreign ambassadors.

A similar service at St. Isaac's cathedral was attended by persons prominent in society, government officials and military and naval officials. The general public was not admitted, but the services passed off without incident.

### Exciting Escape of Labor Leader From St. Petersburg Police.

Paris, Feb. 24.—The Petit Parisien's St. Petersburg correspondent has interviewed a man who was with Father Gopon during his adventurous flight from St. Petersburg to Switzerland. The two men, disguised as peasants, traveled by sledge from St. Petersburg to Cronstadt and Wiborg, and at the latter place they changed their disguises to that of a gentleman and his servant, and followed the coast line to Heisingfors in a sailing sledge. Afterwards they crossed the country and reached Abo, where they embarked on board a British steamer for Stockholm, and thence reached Geneva by way of Paris.

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## News Of The Army And Navy

The Imperieuse to Have Added  
Ignominy of a Substitute  
Name.

Commodore Goodrich Has Been  
Selected For Good Service  
Pension.

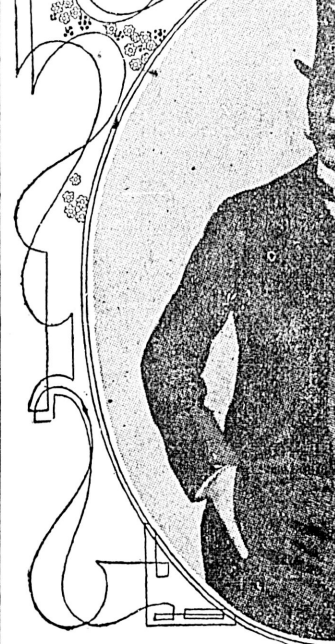
### From Our Own Correspondent.

London, Feb. 23.—As the admiralty is anxious that the name "Imperieuse" should be borne by a sea-going ship, it has been decided that the Imperieuse—so well known in Pacific waters—will be renamed "Sapphire II," on taking up the duties of depot ship to a torpedo-boat flotilla at Portland.

Commodore J. E. C. Goodrich, M. V. O., late commander of the Pacific station, has been selected for the good service pension of £150 per annum, vacant by the promotion of Captain H. T. S. Niblett.

Major H. E. Burstall, Royal Canadian Field Artillery, joined at Woolwich last week for a course of instruction. It is officially intimated that the British infantry battalions are to be withdrawn from the West Indies.

The King will inspect the first-class cruiser Drake, flagship of Prince Louis of Battenberg, about the end of this month, prior to the second cruiser squadron leaving England for a seven or eight months' cruise in North and South American waters. The selection of the cruiser Drake as flagship is a happy one, for it will revive the memory of that grim old sea dog who was the



COUNT BENCKENDORFF  
Russia's Representative in London.

terror of our enemies on what was once the "Spanish main," when engaged in the colonial task of "singling the King of Spain's beard." That was over three hundred years ago, and still England remains the mistress of the seas.

From a correspondence which has passed between Admiral Lord Charles Beresford and the Merchant Service Guild, it would appear that both are now in Spain's hands. The minister of justice has reintroduced in the Reichstag a bill that was defeated in the last session providing for the re-establishment of whipling. In the last session the bill was bitterly assailed, even by the militarists. The minister of justice, however, caused to be widely circulated President Roosevelt's letter favoring whipling for wife beaters, which created a strong impression, and it is believed, excited intention to turn the tide in the bill's favor.

### SEEK BRIDE FOR ALPHONSO.

Spanish Factions Clash—German Princess Is Favored.

London, Feb. 23.—The Madrid Express says that much discussion has been caused at the Spanish court over the question of King Alfonso's marriage, as various princesses are being proposed by warring factions.

King Alfonso himself is said to favor Princess Victoria of Prussia, providing that she becomes a Catholic. The fact that she will not be of marriageable age for two years is an advantage in the king's opinion, who is in no hurry to marry.

It is claimed that Kaiser Wilhelm has hinted in no uncertain way that an alliance between his daughter and King Alfonso would cause him keen satisfaction.

### HUGE NAVAL CONTRACTS.

Shipbuilders Crowd to St. Petersburg to Share a Big Plun.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—(2 a. m.)—St. Petersburg is the Mecca at present of representatives of shipbuilders of various nationalities who have been attracted hither by the prospect of rich contracts in connection with the rebuilding of the navy.

The volunteer fleet, President Henry S. Grove, of William Cramp & Sons, ship and engine building company, and a representative of the Bethlehem Steel Company are already here. There are good prospects of American capital securing a fair share in the contracts to be awarded, but up to the present the only contract let has been to the French Compagnie Des Forges et Chantiers. Everything is awaiting the return from St. Petersburg of Admiral Benckendorff, chairman of the technical and of armament.

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### FATHER GOPON'S FLIGHT.

Exciting Escape of Labor Leader From St. Petersburg Police.

### TO MEET THEIR DOOM.

Aden, Feb. 23.—Five Russian warships, steaming south, have been sighted near Mogdishura on the Benadir coast.

### HOCH FORMALLY CHARGED.

Grand Jury Finds Poison Was Administered to Dead Wife by Accused.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—Johann Hoch was today held to the grand jury without bail. The coroner's jury which investigated the death of Mrs. Marie Walcker Hoch, found that the deceased came to her death from the effects of arsenic poisoning, and it was the expressed belief of the jury that Hoch administered the poison.

### RUSSIAN ADMIRALTY EXULTS.

Forecast of Decision of Paris Tribunal Pleases Authorities.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 24.—(2 a. m.)—The intimation that the decision of the international commission on the Hull affair will be favorable to Russia is received with much quiet exultation in admiralty circles and by the St. Petersburg public, where it is felt to show the baseness of "the senseless clamor against Vice Admiral Rojestvensky."

### THE DANGERS OF MONEY.

New York Bacteriologist Makes Experiments With Paper and Metals.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—Paper money will carry germs for one month; metal money will carry such germs only twenty-four hours, according to the conclusion of Dr. Thomas Langton, president of the New York city board of health, who has been experimenting with bacteria on money and who presented the results to the house committee on banking and currency. The germs of

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The employees of the Warsaw-Mlava section of the Vistula railway have struck, cutting off the last direct line of communication with Germany. Only circuitous routes are now opened.

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Russia Will Fight Until She Is  
Victorious Says Count  
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Washington, Feb. 23.—At the White House, and at the state department, at the British, Russian, French, German and Italian embassies, and at the Japanese legation today, where enquiry was made regarding the rumors of peace between Russia and Japan, the most positive statements were made that if either of the belligerents was thinking of proposing peace, it was a secret securely locked in the foreign office at St. Petersburg or at Tokio. The President has heard nothing of an avowed intention on the part of Russia or Japan to sue for peace at this time, much less of an actual proposal. Secretary of State Hay today assured the ambassadors that while the United States government continues her movement for peace and watched her opportunity to be of assistance whenever assistance might be asked by the belligerents, there was no indication here that the time for peace was near.

### Rumors Unfounded.

Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador at the Legation of the Italian Embassy in London, and therefore, is in close touch with the British foreign office. The ambassador had a long talk with Secretary Hay, calling at the state department soon after his return from Philadelphia. He placed no confidence in the rumors of peace that Japan had asked anybody to propose. He said he did not believe the rumors and the London government had not cabled him concerning the reports. Baron Steiner, the German ambassador, has heard nothing from his foreign office on the subject. And neither he nor the President in their conversation yesterday could find a favorable sign of peace in the light of recent advances. The Emperor, Emperor William and President Roosevelt will scrupulously avoid interference until it is certain their services are desired by the belligerents.

Baron de Cassini, the Italian ambassador, read with much interest the Associated Press despatches from Berlin telling of the Russian Emperor's decision to continue the war. It coincided precisely with the ambassador's own information.

### Count Cassini Talks.

In a long talk with the Associated Press today Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, has had positive information from the highest officials in St. Petersburg that the war will be prosecuted with increasing vigor. It is expected that General Kurapatkin, with the opening of the spring campaign, will accomplish much, in view of the reinforcements he has received. The Emperor has every confidence in his military ability.

"The talk of peace can have but one object," said Ambassador Cassini today, "the assistance of a Japanese loan. It is about time for Japan to raise an other loan, and these rumors of peace generally begin at such a time, can be taken in the light of recent advances I have received, in the most emphatic manner that the war in the Far East will end when Russia is victorious, and not a moment before. The recent disturbances in Russia for the while are annoying, but cannot in the slightest affect the government's foreign policy. The war will go on to the end, as I have been saying ever since it began. The talk of peace is ridiculous, as will be proven by the activity of General Kurapatkin when the spring opens in earnest."

### Japanese Are Satisfied.

Equally positive statements are made at the Japanese legation that Japan, while, of course, ready for peace on her terms, sees no outlook for a cessation of hostilities yet, and is preparing to follow up the victories of last autumn with even more decisive battles in the spring, now that the fall of Port Arthur has released the besieging army there and it is available for service in the north.

Sir Cheng, Chinese minister, was another caller at the state department, but could hear nothing of peace.

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## THE GOVERNMENT'S RAILWAY POLICY.

Some impatience is being manifested by the Opposition with reference to the railway policy of the Government, and the leader proposes to make the matter the subject of a want of confidence motion going into supply. The Premier made a very satisfactory statement in regard to the matter during the debate on the Address, and we feel certain that when the details are submitted to the House they will be found to be generally acceptable. It is possible some disappointment will exist among those who have formed large expectations; but railway building is a serious matter, and with our financial resources already so heavily taxed we cannot afford to assume too great responsibilities even for railways. A great number of lines are talked of in various parts of the Province, but it would be quite out of the question to build one-quarter of what is advocated. If a business arrangement with existing companies, willing and competent to undertake feasible schemes for the construction, say, of 1,000 miles of railway, can be made, the Province will have done well and all that can possibly be expected. We hope to see something of that nature accomplished before the session closes.

## THE NEW PROVINCES.

Provision has been made in the Dominion Government measure for the formation of two new provinces. Some of the details have already been made public in the report of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech on the subject. Until fuller information is received it is impossible to discuss quite intelligently the merits of the proposals in each case. It is apparent, however, that the terms are very much more generous than those granted to British Columbia or the other provinces. For instance, the maximum population upon which subsidy is to be received is \$800,000 at \$0 cents per head, whereas in British Columbia the limit is \$400,000. It is true that the provinces do not get the land, but they get a very liberal allowance as a compensation, which by a sliding scale may come as high as \$1,112,500. The Province may ultimately reach a point where it will receive at least \$2,207,500 as subsidy, and as population is increasing very rapidly, that point is likely to be reached very soon. Provision is also made for more frequent census-taking, so that the provinces will receive the increased subsidies at less intervals than 10 years. With the exception of the provision for separate schools, a feature which many persons would like to see eliminated, the terms appear to be very favorable and the new provinces, with few physical obstacles of any kind to overcome, should get along very nicely indeed.

## THE HUDSON BAY ROUTE.

Mr. J. W. Tyrrell is probably the best living authority on the Hudson Bay route. He has made four trips through Hudson Straits, has been five times across Hudson Bay and has taken a number of trips through the country adjacent. He says the Straits are navigable five months in the year. The Bay itself never freezes over, but the harbors do. In this view he is supported by the observations of Rev. John McDougal, the well known missionary, who spent a life time in the northern regions. Referring to the matter, the Toronto News says that Mr. Tyrrell's explorations were not confined to the Straits. Having ascertained that the ice did not bar the passage all the year he proceeded to search for a harbor on the western side of the Bay. He found two, one at the mouth of the Churchill river, and another at Chesterfield Inlet, a narrow, deep fiord extending for a distance of nearly two hundred miles to the westward. At the end of this is Baker Lake, seventy miles long, giving 270 miles of deep water navigation west from the shores of the Bay. Even if four voyages navigation could be depended upon, each route would prove of value in marketing the increasing volume of produce from the Canadian West. There is, of course, a wide margin between the enthusiasm of the explorer and the cold calculations of commerce. But the wealth of the Bay in seals, walrus and fish, with the indications of valuable mineral deposits in that region which Mr. Tyrrell reports, seem to assure in the near future railway communication which will be the first step towards testing the practicability of the route to Europe.

## EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Both in the Legislature and outside of it the subject of education is attracting attention. The cost of our educational system is bearing heavily all around. The Province finds the bill each year increasing and a sore burden upon the Treasury; the municipalities are complaining and a further grievance will arise out of the bill now before the Legislature, by which it is proposed to place a share of the taxation necessary to maintain schools directly upon the

districts to be benefited. Heretofore the cost of education has mainly been paid out of general revenue, and the individual ratepayer has not felt the burden as he will in the future, when a special rate for the purpose will be levied. This measure will undoubtedly prove unpopular. It requires a good deal of moral courage to go before the people with proposals of the kind; but it is an absolute necessity. Complaints are made about the increase of taxation; but there seems to be no help for it. A certain amount of revenue has to be raised and there is only one way to raise it, and that is by taxation. Even if we could continue to borrow money as formerly to pay current expenditure, it would be very poor policy indeed; but we cannot. Something must be done to relieve the situation, and while, as we have said, the idea is not a popular one, the Government is practically forced to place a portion of the burden upon the communities directly benefited. In no other Province in Canada is the cost of education paid out of general revenue. And in making the change proposed the Government is simply following the example of other Governments. It is true that in no other Province do similar conditions exist. Settlements are more compact and populous than in British Columbia, and for that reason education can be made more easily self-sustaining. Here in rural communities had to bear the cost of their schools it would mean, in most instances, their closing down. While that is true, it is also true that some proportion of the expense should be borne by the districts in which such schools are situated.

In addition to the School Bill now before it, the Legislature has also been asked to deal with the situation created by the power which trustees have of requisitioning the councils for practically any sum they may wish to ask for school purposes. In Victoria in particular has the situation become acute, and the City Council is urging that the School Board should go directly to the people for their authority. There are objections to such a course, as in a flimsy mood the people might refuse such authority altogether and schools would have to close down. Nevertheless, in view of the increasing cost of schools, it is evident that something must be done to curtail expenses and to enable the municipalities in some way to regulate and control them.

## A QUESTION OF TERMS.

We are gravely informed that the Liberal Government, which is arranging the terms with the new provinces in the Northwest, has been more generous in its provisions than was the Conservative Government which arranged the terms with British Columbia. If true, it is all the more reason why a Liberal Government should now deal justly with this Province and grant it better terms in order that it may be placed on an equality with the new provinces being formed. However, it is well to point out in passing that whether the terms granted to British Columbia were fair or not, they were opposed by the Liberals of that day, who thought Canada was bankrupting itself by taking in the Western provinces. Had the Liberals had their way this Province would have fared badly indeed.

## THE SMELTER BILL.

In the House on Wednesday Mr. Hawthorthwaite's bill to limit the working day for employees to eight hours was defeated by a very large majority. We have already discussed the principle of the bill and need not refer again especially to the matter. The debate in the Legislature brought out the rather interesting fact that Mr. John Houston, the member for Nelson, whose paper, the Tribune, was strongly opposing the bill, personally supported it. Mr. Houston, therefore, has the satisfaction of being on both sides of the question at the same time. To those who were not in sympathy with the bill he can point to the fact that his paper strongly opposed it, and to the friends of the bill he can point to his own speech and vote in the House. Such a double-barrelled arrangement as that is most convenient from a political point of view.

## A MARKET FOR FLINTS.

The Mining Reporter calls attention to the fact that owing to the introduction of tube, or pebble, mills there is a demand for hard flints for lining or for pebbles. The present source of supply is mainly Danish, French and English shores. The flints cost \$20 a ton and the Reporter thinks it is about to go so far away for a supply, and suggests that prospecting should be done nearer home. As it may be of some importance to British Columbia, as well, we give the following extracts from the Reporter:

"There will be a large number of tube mills erected in Colorado, and the West generally, at an early date. Not only for the treatment of metalliferous ores, but also for the grinding of cement and other products requiring fine grinding. Anyone who can locate a large mass of hard pebbles close to a railroad will find a ready market for them at a good price."

"We are receiving not a few inquiries relative to these tube or pebble mills, and we think beyond question that the mining public has made up its mind that the increasing depth at which ores are mined, necessitate fine grinding. This will mean pebble mills and pebble mills mean that flints will be required."

## SELF-GOVERNMENT IN THE TRANSVAAL.

Public Opinion says that General Botha has apparently realized that the surest and quickest road to self-government in the Transvaal is loyalty to the British flag. A new Boer Association has been formed for the promotion of harmony and co-operation among the people of the Transvaal, with General Botha, General Delarey, General Reyers, Mr. Wolmarans, Mr. Smuts, and others on its executive. In a most interesting speech, General Botha objected to the proposal to grant the two Colonies representative Government, which is only the halfway house to responsible Government. The reason for the limitation, he said, is that the Boers are mistrusted, but they were promised complete self-government under the terms of the Vereeniging Treaty, and they would prefer to wait till they were trusted rather than accept any half measure. Meantime, he counselled his followers to

eschew politics, which in view of some Boer utterances is certainly wise advice. The Boer, adds Public Opinion, has a knack of expressing his thoughts with incautious freedom.

We have been asked to say a word in behalf of the farewell to Commodore and Mrs. Goodrich on Saturday evening in the Government buildings. Those who are interested in the matter are most anxious that it should be a success in every way, and, particularly as an appreciation by our citizens of the naval officers. The letter in yesterday's Colonist expresses the sentiments that many share and we trust to see the reception taken part in by as many as possible.

The Ottawa Citizen remarks: Now that Premier Parent appears to have got a decision against him, numerous Liberal organs are discovering that he committed a very unfair and indiscreet act in rushing on the Quebec elections without giving the Opposition time to organize, and that altogether he is reaping the result of his "impolitic" act. But at the time Parent brought off his smart coup they had nothing but admiration for his duplicity.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

BACKED DOWN.

Sir—During the debate on the amendment to the eight-hour bill for miners, on Tuesday last, Mr. Hawthorthwaite charged Mr. Oliver with the purpose of making the question of Socialism, to be held in the opera house, which challenge Mr. Oliver accepted. The Victoria Socialist at once appointed a committee to investigate the matter, and the date would suit him, and they would hire the opera house and make all arrangements. To their astonishment the member from Delta, being interviewed, declined, and stated that he had changed his mind, and refused to entertain the idea of a debate, admitting that he had not studied the Socialist philosophy. The Socialists are assured that it is time he did so; for they claim that the interests of the workers as represented by their party and the interests of their fellow workers, the farmers (both of which are the actual wealth producers) are identical. However, they hope that Mr. Oliver will at once commence the study of these economic questions, which so vitally effect both classes referred to, and that next session he may be in a position to throw down the gauntlet, as Mr. Hawthorthwaite has done, being an honest man, hence his nickname, "Honest John", it needs only study to land him, as it has many others, into the Socialist fold.

J. M. CAMERON.

## THE TAX ON AGENTS.

Sir—The Government deserve every credit for its endeavor to distribute a fair share of the taxation of the country on the shoulders of those in a position to stand it, and the announcement that the representatives of firms who have no fixed agency here shall pay something into the coffers of the province will be a step in the right direction. Today we find agents in council endeavoring to wriggle out of their responsibilities, but the government, I trust, will carry through their proposals, for it will have the effect of encouraging legitimate businesses here, and the new agencies. As the situation now stands, business men and manufacturers who carry large stocks give a large number of men employment, pay heavy taxes, pay large amounts of insurance, heavy rents, etc., bear most of the responsibilities, and under the present system of taxation are amongst the largest taxpayers in the country.

On the other hand, we are agents and travelers representing outside firms, who employ no one, pay no insurance, have no stock to tax, pay little or no rent, whose taxation is practically nil, and by the very nature of their business, drain the province, for the goods they sell are the products of other provinces, or foreign countries. Their presence in any community is dangerous, inasmuch with their limited expense and their freedom from taxation, they prevent the growth of new industries, and work great harm on the old ones. The products usually sold by these agents are those of the lowest wage-paying countries, and under these conditions it is only fair that they make large profits and do their business under the cheapest conditions, they should contribute largely towards the upbuilding of this province.

Our large wholesale houses and manufacturers welcome the proposals, and the workmen of the province will receive a large measure of protection by the passage of this act. It will mean more work for them, it will do something to equalize the conditions brought about by untaxed agents whose business it is to secure foreign countries and cheap low wage-paying communities for goods to dump into our province, so that these same agents may reap large profits.

As they profit so should they be taxed.

SENTAX.

## CUM GRANO.

In seeking bullion in the sea. As syndicates design. 'Tis clear that there at least will be No need to "salt the Mine."

—The World.

## THE VAST WASTE.

Life. Edna—What did Dr. Dix mean when he spoke of that "vast waste of humanity"? Maud—Bachelors, of course, dear.

## HOW WE ARE MISUNDERSTOOD.

Chatanooga News. Did it ever occur to you how little we understand even our best friends, and how frequently we misinterpret our worst enemies? A point of view makes a lot of difference. A man who is talking graft cannot understand a man who resents the taking of graft any more than a sportsman can understand a civil-service reformer.

## POOR STATISTICIAN.

Washington Star. He figured on the distance Of the stars up in the sky; He figured on our planet's age; And when this earth will die; He figured on the railways. And the trusts with patient skill— But he never found the errors In his monthly grocery bill.

## IN FRAGRANT MEMORY.

Minneapolis Journal. The Nebraska Senate is going to observe Thursday as the anniversary of the day when Senator Richard O'Neill arose in the sacred Senate chamber and said: "Every man should be proud of the fact of his activity, whether he was born there or not."

## BOURKE COCKRAN'S STORY.

Bourke Cockran of New York told a story of an Irishman who had five sons. The youngest one was taken ill, and the father tried to be cheerful and encouraging. "Me boy," said he tenderly, "I always did like ye the best of all the boys, ye never let yer old man when he was down."

## NO MORE OF THAT DISCUSSION.

Winfield, Kan., Tribune. A young man in Winfield who has not been married long remarked at the dinner table the other day, "My dear, I wish you could make bread such as mother used to make." The bride smiled and answered in a voice that did not tremble: "Well, dear, I wish you could make the dough that father used to make." The bread and dough question hasn't come up for family discussion since.

## THE WOMEN OF FORTY-FIVE.

Harper's Bazar. Probably every woman over 45 has known the start of astonishment and dismay that comes with that glance—a crossed and throated complexion, dull eyes, wrinkled throat, well, these symptoms need not be

## Your Face Madam

Also your hands are exposed to the disastrous effects of the weather, and if you would keep your skin soft, healthy and free from wrinkles, you must use Shotbolt's Cucumber Tonic Cream. Try a twenty-five cent bottle and be convinced. We guarantee it to be perfectly harmless to the tenderest skin.

## SHOTBOLT'S PIONEER DRUG STORE,

59 Johnson Street, Near Cor. of Government.

Tel 56. We call for and send orders

## A GOOD INVESTMENT

TWO HOUSES IN JAMES BAY DISTRICT CLOSE IN, FITTED WITH GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT AND SEWER CONNECTED. WOULD RENT FOR \$20.00 PER MONTH.

## THE TWO FOR \$1500

THE STUART ROBERTSON COMPANY, LIMITED

A STEWART ROBERTSON. 30 BROAD STREET. J. E. SMART.

## NEW SOUTH MORE "AMERICAN."

Women of America. The beautiful old civilization has vanished, and in its stead is rising up the new civilization, with its promise of a greater, nobler beauty. If the former charm is lost, a truer loveliness is being found; for the people of the South, women as well as men, are slowly gaining in public spirit and extending their love and their loyalty beyond one native state to the whole United States. They are becoming not less Southern, but more American. Surely a rose-leaved charm were little to relinquish for so great a good as this!

## SHAKING HIS FAITH.

Philadelphia Press. "Pa," complained the boy, "so long as I go to the same school with Tommy Tutt I can't be a Christian Scientist." "What?" cried the pillar of the new church. "Why can't you?" "Cause it's hard to believe that a punch in the jaw is all my imagination."

## A USEFUL MICROBE.

Buffalo Courier. A kind of microscopic cannibalism, one sort of bacteria eating up another sort, is announced as a discovery that may be used for the prevention of typhoid. Matthew Nelson, a Glasgow man now residing in Italy, claims to have found a microbe which devours all zymotic germs in drainage.

## QUITE A RECORD.

An almost unparalleled circumstance is noted in the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Jones of Johnson, Vt., who passed the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage last evening. Not once in their married life has death entered the home circle. Their five children are all living, also their grand-children and one great-grandson.

## PARNELL AND THE COFFEE.

Leslie's Weekly. The daughter of Mr. Justin McCarthy gives some interesting reminiscences of Mr. Parnell. She mentions one curious instance of superstition strange in so strong a man. "One evening Parnell was talking to me at the coffee stage of dinner, and I, gazing at him with rapture, was vaguely stirring mine and going to drink it, when he said, 'You must not drink that; you have stirred it the wrong way, and it would be unlucky. Go another cup.'"

## POLITICS OF THE PROVINCE.

Brantford Expositor. Since Ontario passed under Conservative control the political sympathies of the different provincial governments are found to be as follows: Ontario—Conservative. Quebec—Liberal. Nova Scotia—Liberal. Prince Edward Island—Liberal. Manitoba—Conservative. British Columbia—Conservative.

## THE "LITTLE FATHER."

Public Opinion. The Tsar did on Wednesday what he should have done a fortnight ago. He issued a denunciation of workmen. Even now, however, wisdom does not prevail in high places in Russia. The Tsar did not give audience to the men in order to hear their grievances, but to read them a lecture on the wickedness of revolt, and of coming to him as a rebel mob. A more perfect and complacent travesty of the circumstances which preceded the ghastly events of Sunday week could hardly be conceived. An unnamed people anxious to present their petitions to one whom they affectionately regarded as the Little Father are shot down or sabred by vodka-inspired soldiery, and the Little Father talks to them of revolt and treachery! The Tsar's worst enemies could wish nothing more than that.

## WHEN YOU CARE FOR A GIRL.

Smart Set. Gee! ain't it funny the things that you do, An' gee, ain't it funny that life seems so new, An' how ever ambition has suddenly grew, When you care for a girl! An' then you don't care to be stayin' out late, An' your home-gone' always is sober an' straight, An' your mind's always thinkin' o' Wednesdays, an' it's deuced at times, When you care for a girl! Never before had you owned a clothes brush; No longer you say to the married man "Tush!" An' you find out how easy it is to talk mush, When you care for a girl! My! how you hated to carry a shawl! Now you'd lug bundles all day till you fall; You even say "Musie" when kids start to bawl, When you care for a girl! Flowers were things that you'd never prefer; Now every rosebud reminds you o' her. Yes, things as they is ain't like thing as they were, When you care for a girl!

## CURES WORMS

Mothers, give your full confidence to Menthol Worm Remover and see how faithfully it serves you. It never fails to cure worms, rid the system of them. The best laxative for children. Corrects stomach and bowel troubles. Indispensable when baby is teething. 25c a box at all druggists. The Griffiths & Macpherson Co., Ltd., Toronto, Can.

## 20th Century

## BUSINESS COLLEGE

VICTORIA, B. C.

Stenographers and Typists on staff prepared to visit institutions, offices, homes, &c., by the hour, day or month. Type machines supplied.

## TELEGRAPHY,

BOOKKEEPING, ARITHMETIC, PENMANSHIP, &c.

NORTON PRINTING, - Principal

## DAVID SPENCER

LIMITED

## BARGAINS FOR TODAY

## Clearing Out Odd Lines Of Crockery

Dinner Sets, Tumblers, Water Jugs, Water Bottles, Syrup Jugs, Salts and Peppers, Rose Bowls, Cups and Saucers, Cake Plates, Fruit Dishes, Celery Dishes.

## ANOTHER SHIPMENT OF JAPANESE RUGS

Go on Sale Today, Prices 75c to \$5.75 Each Sizes 2 1/2 x 5 to 9 x 12

## 200 Men's Hats

Go on Sale Today at - - - 50c Each Worth \$2.50

## B. C. Corsets

1905 Styles, 400 Pairs go on Sale Today at \$1.00 per pair

## DAVID SPENCER

Government and Broad Streets

THE E. B. EDDY CO., LIMITED

## OUR BRANDS

"King Edward," 1,000S  
"Headlight," 500S  
"Eagle," 100S and 200S  
"Victoria"  
"Little Comet"

(FOR SALE EVERYWHERE)

James Mitchell, Agent, Victoria.

## Developing and Printing

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FLEMING BROS., 50 1-2 Govt. St.

## Cordwood and Stovewood

Truck, Dray and General Teaming done.

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Office, 21 Cormorant Street

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## ACCORDEON PLEATING.

Orders taken at the White House, the Westside and The People's Store. All orders executed at MRS. J. WILSON'S, No. 8 Gordon Street, near Post Office. Telephone 953. Mail orders promptly attended to. Write or telephone above address.

## MONEY TO LOAN

On improved real estate at current rates of interest

Swinerton & Oddy, 102 Government Street.

## TEETH WITHOUT PLATES A SPECIALTY

Perfectly Painless Dentistry at The West Dental Parlors

Until New Year, appointments will be made for at least 25 per cent. reduction on Gold Crown and Bridge work, and Plate Dentures. Remember the fees are only reduced as an inducement to have your Dental work done up to that date—the quality and skillfulness will always be the same.

Please call early and examine specimens of the kind of work you may expect, with definite estimates and thorough examination free.

OFFICE: The West Dental Parlors, IMPERIAL BANK CHAMBERS, Corner Yates and Government Streets, (Entrance on Yates Street.)

## THE COLONIST

Printing and Publishing Co., Ltd.

THE COLONIST has now in hand a handsome portfolio of the city to be used in advertising Victoria at the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland. July 1 has been fixed as "Canadian Day" at the fair and it is proposed to issue the portfolio of views on that date. The work will be got up in the very best style, and as the circulation of such a work of art among the thousands who will visit Portland Fair is bound to attract great attention, the resulting good to this city will be immeasurable.

No display advertising will be accepted for insertion with the illustrations.



36 Fort St. Merchant Tailor

103 GOVERNMENT

ENT STREET.

Electric light kindly provided by B. C.  
Electric Railway Co.  
Piano kindly provided by the Hicks,  
Lewick Piano Co.

For particulars apply to  
**J. STUART YATES**

would naturally be understood to mean that the selection of type and the method of design would be in perfect keeping with the context.

This is found in all our work, whether entertainment programmes, church service and in general work; in fact it is the pride of THE COLONIST that all work bears the stamp of

APPROPRIATENESS."

Interesting Views.—In addition to the series of pictures which will be shown at the Y. M. C. A. hall this evening, Mr. A. B. Clabon has secured fifty additional views of British Columbia, including some of the famous Bulkley valley. These will be shown if time permits. The usual charge will be made.

Attention is directed to advertisement in another column of the sheriff's sale to take place on Saturday next, February 25.

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OBITUARY.

The funeral of the late Mrs. M. Moneth, whose death occurred at the Jubilee hospital on Wednesday, will take place this afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Crawford, Shakespeare avenue. Religious services will be conducted by

COAL

J. KINGHAM & CO.

34 BROAD ST. PHONE 647.

Lump or Sack..... \$6.50  
Nut Coal..... 5.00  
Pea Coal..... 4.50

Delivered to any part within city limits.  
Agency for the

New York Underwriters' Fire Insurance.

FOR SALE

Fine Building Lots Fronting New City Park on Gorge Road.

Good acreage property along Burnside Road, and also above Gorge Bridge; excellent for Fruit Growing.  
Valuable city lots on Yates Street and Wharf Street yielding a good return as an investment;  
Also two city water lots at foot of Yates Street, with 160 feet wharf and large warehouses.  
Twenty-three acres in Esquimaux District, fronting on Royal Roads.  
Seventy-nine acres fronting on Sooke Harbor.  
Excellent building lots in Esquimaux Town.  
For particulars apply to

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# Miller's Paragon Cheese

FREE SAMPLE JARS ON APPLICATION AT

## Mowat's Grocery, 77 Yates Street

Free Silverware With Every Sale.

### THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, Feb. 23-8 p. m.

#### SYNOPSIS.

A high barometer area is central in Oregon and Idaho, but a low area extends from the Pacific through the upper part of the province into the Northwest, the centre of the disturbance being in Manitoba. Rain has fallen from the lower Manitoba to the Columbia river, and also in eastern Oregon. Temperature on the Pacific slope has been nearly stationary. East of the Rockies the weather has been chiefly fair and warmer.

#### TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	39	48
New Westminster	38	48
Kanloquo	32	40
Barkerville	29	34
Fort Simpson	34	40
Calgary, Alta.	32	40
Edmonton	32	40
Pacific, Ore.	40	50
San Francisco, Cal.	62	62

#### FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time) Friday:

Victoria and vicinity: Easterly and southerly winds, slightly moderate in force; unsettled with showers, and not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland: Easterly winds, moderate on the Straths; unsettled with showers, and stationary or higher temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23.

	Deg.	Deg.
5 a.m.	41	Mean
9 a.m.	48	Highest
5 p.m.	48	Lowest

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.	4 miles north.
9 a.m.	4 miles east.
5 p.m.	Calm.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.

Rain—0.2 inch.

Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.165  
Corrected.....30.195

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.20

#### NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected.....30.20

### Hand Telephone Calls

#### EDUCATIONAL.

##### BUSINESS COLLEGE

##### 20TH CENTURY

##### 1122

#### CABINET MAKERS

##### CARRUTHERS, DICKSON & HOWES, Cabinet Makers and Joiners, 131 Johnson street.

##### 1165

#### MESSANGER.

##### MESSANGER OFFICE

##### 22 Trench Avenue.

##### Prompt Delivery.

##### 409

#### PLUMBERS.

##### A. SHERET

##### PLUMBING AND HEATING

##### 102 FORT STREET.

##### 629

#### REAL ESTATE

##### P. R. BROWN LTD.,

##### 30 Broad St.

##### For a Dwelling, Furnished or Unfurnished.

##### 1076

### Real Estate

#### FOR SALE

##### J. Musgrave

##### 17 Trench Avenue.

Mokey Brand deep cleans kitchen utensils, steel, iron and tinware, knives and forks, and all kinds of cutlery.

### NOTICE.

Tenders for Timber Limits.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, 23rd March, 1905, from any person who may desire to obtain a lease, under the provisions of section 42 of the "Land Act," for the purpose of cutting timber from a tract of timber land situated on Vancouver Island, known as Lots 627 to 641, inclusive, 645, 646, 647, 649, 925 and 926, Clayoquot district, containing in the aggregate 15,614 acres.

The competitor offering the highest cash bonus will be entitled to a lease of the limits for a term of ten years, and to a certificate of title, payable to the undersigned, to cover the amount of the first year's rental (\$54,000), and also a certificate of title for \$11,300.00, being the cost of raising and surveying the limits. The cheque will be at the discretion of the undersigned.

W. S. GORE,  
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works, Lands and Works Department,  
Victoria, B. C., 23rd February, 1905.

#### THE VICTORIA WHARF & WAREHOUSE CO., LTD.

Six Per Cent. Debentures.  
Seventh Annual Drawing—7th Feb., 1905.

The following are the numbers of the debentures drawn for repayment at par on and after the first day of March next:

1	85	150	258	351	472
2	90	160	269	362	483
3	103	170	279	373	501
4	110	181	284	380	510
5	125	192	288	384	518
6	132	204	294	391	528
7	137	237	304	431	540
8	147	240	370	443	544
9	155	242	375	449	571

Sixty debentures at \$500.00 each—\$30,000.

The above mentioned debentures will be paid on and after the first day of March next, at the discretion of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Victoria, B. C.

Countersigned: J. H. LAWSON, Secretary.

H. G. LAWSON, Notary Public, Victoria, B. C., 7th February, 1905.

### NOTICE.

TENDERS, sealed and endorsed "Tenders for Debentures," will be received at the office of the undersigned, until Monday, the 13th day of March next, at 4 p. m., for the purchase, in whole or in part, of debentures of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, as follows:

1. Debentures amounting to \$25,000, issued under authority of the "Douglas Street Compensation Loans By-Law, 1903," numbered 147, dated the 1st February, 1905, and maturing 1st February, 1915.
2. Debentures amounting to \$10,000, issued under authority of the "Home for the Aged and Indigent By-Law, 1905," numbered 148, dated the 1st February, 1905, and maturing 1st February, 1915.

Both sets of debentures are secured upon the credit of the Municipality as a whole, their denomination is \$1,000 each, and they bear interest at five per cent. per annum, payable half yearly, the principal and interest being payable at the office of the Bank of British North America, in London, Montreal, New York or Victoria.

The tenderer must state the net price at which he will pay, in addition to the net price, the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest on the said debentures for the period between the 1st day of February, 1905, and the date of the receipt of the purchase money by the City Treasurer.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

WILLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.  
City Clerk's Office,  
Victoria, B. C., February 11, 1905.

### NOTICE

Persons having claims against the R. N. Canteen must send them to Hon. Secretary on or before 1st March. No claim will be entertained after that date.

### NOTICE

In order to avoid misunderstanding, the Mayor and Aldermen desire to announce that although no invitations have been sent out, the citizens generally are invited to attend the reception to be held in their honor at the Legislative Buildings on Saturday evening next at 8:45 o'clock.

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NOTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to cut and carry away timber off the following described tract of land:

Commencing at a post marked B. N. W. Post, on south side of Bay of Islands, about 1/2 mile east from Mount Point, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north to place of commencement, containing 640 acres more or less, above stated, 20th ult. 1905.

H. A. BULL.

### NOTICE

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Particulars may be obtained from the manager.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

#### BUSINESS PROPERTY.

\$5,500 will buy a large lot (65 feet frontage) in the heart of the city, just off Government street. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

#### FOR SALE—TIMBER LIMITS.

LARGE TRACTS of timber land, both crown granted and leasehold; cedar, spruce, fir and other woods. For particulars apply to B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Limited, 40 Government street.

#### FOR SALE—300 acres of first-class fir, on Cowichan Lake, averaging 80,000 feet per acre; conveniently located and can be logged very cheaply. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Limited, 40 Government street. TO RENT—ROOM AND BOARD. TO RENT—Room and board, 1 South Park street. FOR SALE—BOATS, ETC. FOR SALE OR CHARTER—Two new boats for carrying work, 10 ft. and 65 ft.; thoroughly modern, finely equipped. "Charter," P. O. Box 891 Tacoma. PALMISTRY. MARCELLA MARTINA, PALMIST. Magnificent—The wonderful second-sight, clairvoyance, and other powers, who is so developed as to give names and describe your people to you. Give her a trial, and she will give you a test, 25c. Charge and up. Parlor Room 1 Colonial hotel. WANTED—FEMALE HELP. WANTED—Immediately, two superior nursemaids, with some knowledge of the care of infants; good needlewomen; indispensable. Apply 60 Westwood street. WANTED—Situations by two young girls, 18 years of age, as nurse girls, with light housework (daily and resident). Apply 60 Westwood street. WAITRESS WANTED—Apply to Mrs. McKeon, Oriental hotel. WANTED—Two general maids; plain cooking and housework; two children; good wages to suitable person. 60 Westwood street. WANTED—Millinery saleslady. Apply Mrs. M. A. Vigors, 88 Yates street. WANTED—MALE HELP. WANTED—Boy to work on dairy and drive milk cart. Alex. Potts, Macaulay Point. APPLICATIONS will be received by A. E. Phillips, secretary Revelstoke Hospital Society, until Saturday, 4th March, 1905, for the position of resident doctor at the society's hospital at Arrowhead, B. C. Room and office in hospital; no restrictions regarding private practice. Particulars on application. WANTED—Boy to work in store. Apply 59 Government street. MEN WANTED—Reliable men in every locality throughout Canada to advertise our goods, and to sell them. We pay \$2.50 per day. Steady employment to good, reliable men. No experience necessary. Write for particulars. Empire Medicine Co., London, Ont. SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE. ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of one-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four. DEMONSTRATOR at liberty. Box 229 Colonial. YOUNG LADY wants position in family with children to teach music and assist with housework. Box 214 Colonial. WANTED—Lady returning to England shortly would take charge of children or invalid. "M.," Box 512, Vancouver. WANTED—Housework by the day. Apply Box 217 Colonial. SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE. ADVERTISEMENTS under this heading will be inserted at a special rate of one-half cent per word, with six insertions for the price of four. WANTED—Housework by Jap schoolboy. Apply Japanese Mission, 27 Broughton street. ENGLISHMAN with good business experience in London seeks responsible position in office or manufactory; energetic and thorough; good references; speaks English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, correspondence, proof-reading, etc. Box 216 Colonial. WANTED—By strong, active young man, employment in grocery or general store, retail or wholesale; engaged, desirous of change; highest references. Box 183 Victoria. LANDSCAPE GARDENER undertakes practical work by day. Terms. Apply Box 122 Colonial. PROFESSIONAL NURSE. TRAINED NURSE—Mrs. J. D. Sinclair, trained nurse, is prepared to receive patients at her maternity home, 715 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C. Highest references. Terms moderate. Phone 921. POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK. FOR SALE—Young cock, will calve in few days. Alex. Potts, Macaulay Point. FOR SALE—Irish terrier puppies; dog, first rate, \$15; bitch \$7. Cyphers & Co., 1000 Broadway, Victoria. Eggs from Australians, White Rocks and Buff Orpingtons, \$1.50 per 15; also Indian Runner ducks. Bradley-Dyke, Saturna. FOR SALE—Two fresh cows with or without calves; good milkers. H. D. Tilly, South Saanich, Keating P. O. WANTED—To purchase a good working team, not less than 1,100 pounds. Apply Box 43, Colonial Office. ADARE POULTRY FARM, Wm. Baylis, Ross Bay, Fairfield Road, Victoria, B. C. Choice eggs for setting, from pure bred and vigorous stock. Barred Plymouth Rocks, from first prize birds; S. C. Black Minorcas; S. C. Brown Leghorns; S. C. White Leghorns. Also, Buff Orpingtons, and warranted from choice matings. Orders taken at Brown & Cooper's, Government street, or sent post card to P. O. Box 650, Victoria, B. C. LOST. LOST—Between 2 Cook street and the Balmoral hotel, via Church road, a small amethyst brooch surrounded by brilliant stones. If found, please return to the same to the proprietress, Balmoral hotel. LOST—On Blanchard street, between Port street and Rockebell, before 9:30 yesterday morning (Thursday, February 23), gold hunting case with monogram. Finder please return to Rockebell and receive reward.

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The government had the report of Dr. Macdonald that more accounts for the insanity. Notwithstanding the fact that a number of chronic patients had been removed to Vernon, the superintendent reported that the building was in an overcrowded condition. He was advised by Dr. Macdonald that in the eastern provinces, commodious grounds were a first requisite for the proper conduct of such institutions. Colonization schemes were adopted in cases, agriculture was prosecuted and the establishments were made practically self-supporting. The present asylum grounds were useless for such a purpose, and as it was proposed at an early date to inaugurate such a system it was necessary that suitable lands should be obtained. There were a number of patients in the asylum, who, under the guidance of a farmer, would be able to undertake agricultural pursuits. It was the intention of the government to erect small cottages for their accommodation, and ultimately the institution, which was now cramped and unsuitable, might be transferred to the new site. The lands abutting on the Fraser river, were in close touch with the railway, and were in every sense suitable for such an establishment. As to the point that the lands given in exchange being nearer Vancouver must be more valuable, they had reports from Mr. Major and Mr. Skinner to the contrary.

Mr. Oliver said that Dr. Macdonald reported that Mr. Rand, a real estate broker, proposed to exchange the lands, and he thought the fact of Mr. Rand's reputation as a shrewd broker, who though young had made a fortune in the real estate business, was sufficient to make the government take every precaution to enquire into the value of the lands. He cited figures intended to show that the lands exchanged were valuable, and in his mind more valuable than those obtained by the government. The motion passed.

Mr. McEwen moved that an order of the house be granted for a return of copies of all correspondence, reports of agents, and all other documents, from Jan. 1, 1900, to the present time, relating to the acquisition of a new reservation for the Songhees Indians and their removal from the present reserve. Carried.

### Questions.

The Minister of Lands and Works informed Mr. Munro that a caretaker was employed on the Chilliwack dyke at a

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## Iyo Maru Due From The Orient

Nippon Yusen Kaisha Liner Expected Today - Jap Steamers May Come.

Brinkburn's Owners and Charterers Differ - Gaelic For Sale.

Steamer Iyo Maru of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line is due today from Yokohama, which port she left on Feb. 8. The Iyo Maru is one of the three Japanese liners released by the government from transport service. It was expected that the remaining three would be released ere this time and the fortnightly service resumed. The new steamer Teigo Maru, a 7,300 ton liner, built at Nagasaki, is also complete, and is expected to sail for Victoria on her maiden voyage about three weeks hence. According to recent reports from Japan it is probable that another Japanese steamer will be placed on this route, calling at Victoria. At present the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is the only Japanese company with steamers running to Puget Sound via Victoria. The Mitsui company, which has control of extensive coal mines and other interests in Japan, and which is one of the richest concerns in the far east, has had representatives on the Pacific coast in investigating trade possibilities with a view to the establishment of a regular line. The collieries on Vancouver Island, at Tacoma, and elsewhere on the coast, have been visited, with a view to ascertaining whether the Japanese coal—which is much inferior to the Vancouver Island product—can be sold in competition.

There is a large amount of shipping engaged because of the war, and a great amount of tonnage seized by the Japanese, for which the Japanese are seeking a trade. It is probable that many of the vessels may be ultimately placed in the trans-Pacific trade, and may possibly become a disturbing factor.

### BRINKBURN MAY GO.

Undecided Whether Blockade-running Trip Is Cancelled.

According to advices received from San Francisco, the Iyo Maru may still go to Vladivostok, providing she is not seized while on the way. Communication is being carried on between charterers and owners seeking to have the steamer proceed. As stated, when the vessel arrived off San Francisco from Victoria the tug Relief met her and orders were placed on board instructing Capt. Peters to proceed to Vladivostok. As orders had been received when at Victoria, instructing the captain to proceed to San Francisco to deliver cargo, he decided to go into the port and communicate further with his owners. It seems that the instructions sent by the tug were from the charterers. Until further orders are received from the owners, the cargo will remain on board.

The disposition of the vessel and her cargo will be a matter of interest to the shipping community. Undoubtedly those interested in the Brinkburn are loath to send the vessel to almost certain capture. It is said that the Russian agents have proposed the freight money, and, if so, the owners are in duty bound to carry out their part of the charter. In the meantime, the costs of demurrage are increasing; the vessel has been delayed over a month now. All told the Japanese have gathered in 50 ships to date. Up to the end of December 37 were taken. Since then 13 have been captured. Of these four were sent to the Cardiff coast, 22,400 tons of it altogether; one carried kerosene, another machine oil and shipbuilding materials and the others forage, provisions and general supplies. Two of the prizes hailed from this port, the Wyndham and the Al. The latter being registered here. Of the thirteen blockade-runners, two were captured in December, eight in January and three this month, two of them yesterday. All but two of the captured steamers were under the British flag.

### RUNNING THE BLOCKADE.

Experiences of British Seamen in Far Eastern Waters.

According to advices received from the Orient, pretty big figures are paid to men who engage in the hazardous business of blockade-running. Three officers of the Tanchow, a vessel which engaged to run ammunition into Port Arthur, were offered \$100,000 among them before they left port and were to have as much again on the successful completion of their dangerous errand. These figures were obtained at the time of the seizure of 250 tons of ammunition on board the Tanchow, into which port the vessel had been on 'bearing' for the Russian port.

The Tanchow was off Saigon bound up when the captain signaled two vessels, and from both he received the news of the seizure of Port Arthur. The vessel then marked out for Gutzhaf, and after communication with the owners, the return journey was made, an effort being made to return to Saigon. The cargo, however, was put into Hongkong, where the ammunition was seized.

### CAPTAIN WAS ALERT.

Saved Small Fortune for His Shipwrecked by Speed.

The story of the close call of the steamer Forest Brook in leaving her charter, revealed to a United States official then at New York, an interesting reminiscence when a small fortune was saved with but a minute to spare by the alertness of the captain. "It was during the strenuous days just before the McKinley tariff went into effect. Every boat leaving the other side of the world had to make good on its duty. The Forest Brook was one of the vessels called from European ports with less time in which to make good on its duty, and for this reason crowded on at steam, resulting in many of them breaking down and arriving in port limping and disabled days after they had expected to be safely moored at their New York docks."

The McKinley tariff went into effect at midnight. Late in the evening the steamer Forest Brook was sighted from the coast and while she was speeding as best she could she had no chance of reaching port in time to have the cargo declared before the midnight hour. A pilot boat came alongside half a mile outside the lights and Capt. Dutton of the Forest Brook jumped aboard, ordered all speed made for the battery, and the little light draft tug by cutting over comparatively shallow water made a run for it and landed the doughty captain at the battery just a few minutes before the midnight hour. Jumping into a cab Dutton raced to the customs house, three quarters of a mile away, reached the manifest clerk's window exactly sixty seconds before midnight and declared his cargo. At the time his vessel was still miles from her dock. By this clever move Dutton saved his company the snug sum of \$300,000 in duties.

### MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Gaelic, now at Hongkong, is awaiting a purchaser for the price of \$24,000, according to report. The liner originally cost \$50,000. The American Bridge Company is now shipping from Seattle to Japan a great quantity of the materials for bridge building lost on the Knight Commander when that vessel was sunk by Russian warships. The vessel weighs 1,500 tons and is worth \$250,000. Three vessels, the American steamer Philip P. Kelley, the American bark Kate Davidson, and the Japanese schooner Ralph J. Long, have been granted special permits to sail direct for Alaska ports, where there is no customs official, and will have to enter in the port unless they get where customs are established. The first two go to Chatham, Alaska, and the

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